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Election of members of the functional commissions of the Council

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with section V of Economic and Social Council resolution 557 C (XVIII) of 5 August 1954, as amended by the Council's decision of 19 December 1968, the Secretary-General sent a note verbale to Member States, on 11 October 1991, informing them of the forthcoming vacancies in the functional commissions to be filled by the Council at its resumed organizational session for 1992, to be held on 29 and 30 April 1992.

2. Under the terms of Council resolution 1147 (XLI) of 4 August 1966, in 1992 the members of the Statistical Commission, the Population Commission, the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on Human Rights and the Commission on the Status of Women are to be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution according to a specified pattern. The Secretary-General, in the annex to his note verbale, indicated the pattern applicable to each of the commissions concerned.

3. With regard to the Commission for Social Development, the Council, by section IV of resolution 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966, decided that the Member States elected to the Commission should nominate to serve on the Commission candidates who hold key positions in the planning or execution of national social development policies or other persons qualified to discuss the formulation of social policies in more than one sector of development.

4. With respect to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the Council, in its resolution 1983/5 of 24 May 1983, decided to enlarge the membership of the Commission to 40, taking into account the special criteria used in electing members of the Commission and keeping the actual percentage. These criteria were specified by the Council in resolution 845 (XXXII) of 3 August 1961, by which the Council decided that the members of the Commission would be elected

(a) from among the States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and the parties to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; (b) with due regard to the adequate representation of countries which were important in the field of the manufacture of narcotic drugs and of countries in which drug addiction or the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs constituted an important problem; and (c) taking into account the principle of equitable geographical distribution.

5. In addition, the Council, by its resolution 1991/49 of 21 June 1991 decided to enlarge the membership of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs from 40 to 53 at its organizational session for 1992, the 13 new seats to be distributed among the regional groups as follows:

(a) Four seats for African States;

(b) Three seats for Asian States;

(c) One seat for Eastern European States;

(d) Three seats for Latin American and Caribbean States;

(e) One seat for Western European and other States;

(f) One seat to rotate between the Asian States and the Latin American and Caribbean States every four years.

6. The composition of the functional commissions is given in the annex to the present document. The number of members to be elected to each commission from each regional group is indicated.

Annex

MEMBERSHIP OF THE FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS IN 1992

Statistical Commission - 24 members

(Term of four years)

Five members from African States

Ghana (1995), Kenya (1993), Morocco (1995), Togo (1993), Zambia (1993)

Four members from Asian States

China (1995), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (1992), Japan* (1992), Pakistan (1995)

Four members from Eastern European States

Czechoslovakia (1995), Hungary* (1992), Poland (1995), Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (1993)

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina (1993), Brazil* (1992), Jamaica (1995), Mexico* (1992)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Canada* (1992), France (1993), Germany (1993), Netherlands (1993), Norway* (1992), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland* (1992), United States of America (1995)

Eight members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from Asian States

One member from Eastern European States

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Three members from Western European and other States

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* Retiring member.

Population Commission - 27 members

(Term of four years)

Seven members from African States

Botswana (1993), Egypt* (1992), Madagascar (1995), Rwanda (1995), Sudan (1995), Uganda* (1992), Zambia (1993)

Five members from Asian States

Bangladesh* (1992), China (1993), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1993), Japan (1995), Pakistan (1995)

Three members from Eastern European States

Poland (1995), Ukraine* (1992), Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (1993)

Five members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Brazil* (1992), Colombia* (1992), Honduras (1995), Mexico (1993), Panama (1993)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Belgium* (1992), France (1995), Germany* (1992), Netherlands (1995), Turkey* (1992), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (1993), United States of America (1993)

Nine members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States

One member from Asian States

One member from Eastern European States

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Three members from Western European and other States

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* Retiring member.

Commission for Social Development - 32 members

(Term of four years)

Eight members from African States

Burundi* (1992), Cameroon* (1992), Côte d'Ivoire (1995), Ghana (1994), Guinea (1994), Madagascar (1994), Nigeria (1994), Sudan (1995)

Six members from Asian States

China* (1992), Cyprus (1994), Indonesia (1995), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1994), Pakistan (1995), Philippines* (1992)

Four members from Eastern European States

Belarus (1995), Poland* (1992), Ukraine (1994), Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (1995)

Six members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina (1994), Chile* (1992), Dominican Republic (1994), Ecuador* (1992), Haiti (1995), Mexico (1995)

Eight members from Western European and other States

Austria (1994), Finland* (1992), France (1995), Germany (1995), Malta* (1992), Spain* (1992), Sweden (1994), United States of America (1995)

Ten members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States

Two members from Asian States

One member from Eastern European States

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Three members from Western European and other States

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* Retiring member.

Commission on Human Rights - 53 members

(Term of three years)

Fifteen members from African States

Angola (1994), Burundi (1993), Gabon (1994), Gambia (1993), Ghana* (1992), Kenya (1994), Lesotho (1994), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (1994), Madagascar* (1992), Mauritania (1993), Nigeria (1994), Senegal* (1992), Somalia* (1992), Tunisia (1994), Zambia (1993)

Twelve members from Asian States

Bangladesh (1994), China (1993), Cyprus (1994), India (1994), Indonesia (1993), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1994), Iraq* (1992), Japan (1993), Pakistan* (1992), Philippines* (1992), Sri Lanka (1994), Syrian Arab Republic (1994)

Five members from Eastern European States

Bulgaria (1994), Czechoslovakia (1993), Hungary* (1992), Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (1994), Yugoslavia* (1992)

Eleven members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina (1993), Barbados (1994), Brazil* (1992), Chile (1994), Colombia (1994), Costa Rica (1994), Cuba (1994), Mexico* (1992), Peru (1993), Uruguay (1994), Venezuela (1993)

Ten members from Western European and other States

Australia (1993), Austria (1993), Canada (1994), France* (1992), Germany (1993), Italy* (1992), Netherlands (1994), Portugal (1993), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (1994), United States of America* (1992)

Fourteen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States

Three members from Asian States

Two members from Eastern European States

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Three members from Western European and other States

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* Retiring member.

Commission on the Status of Women - 45 members

(Term of four years)

Thirteen members from African States

Côte d'Ivoire (1994), Egypt (1993), Ghana (1993), Madagascar (1995), Morocco* (1992), Nigeria (1993), Rwanda (1994), Sudan* (1992), Uganda (1993), United Republic of Tanzania* (1992), Zaire (1994), Zambia (1995), Zimbabwe (1993)

Eleven members from Asian States

Bangladesh (1994), China (1995), Cyprus (1993), India (1993), Indonesia (1993), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1993), Japan* (1992), Malaysia (1993), Pakistan (1995), Philippines (1994), Thailand* (1992)

Four members from Eastern European States

Bulgaria (1994), Czechoslovakia (1995), Poland* (1992), Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (1994)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Bahamas (1993), Brazil* (1992), Chile (1995), Colombia* (1992), Ecuador (1993), Jamaica (1993), Mexico (1994), Peru (1995), Venezuela (1995)

Eight members from Western European and other States

Austria* (1992), Canada* (1992), Finland (1995), France* (1992), Italy (1994), Netherlands (1994), Spain (1995), United States of America (1994)

Eleven members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States

Two members from Asian States

One member from Eastern European States

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Three members from Western European and other States

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* Retiring member.

Commission on Narcotic Drugs - 53 members a/

(Term of four years)

	Term expires on 31 December
Australia	1993
Bahamas	1993
Belgium	1993
Bolivia	1995
Bulgaria	1993
Canada	1995
China	1993
Colombia	1993
Ecuador	1993
France	1995
Gabon	1995
Gambia	1993
Germany	1995
Ghana	1993
Hungary	1993
India	1995
Indonesia	1993
Italy	1995
Japan	1993
Lesotho	1995
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	1993
Madagascar	1995
Malaysia	1993
Mexico	1993

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a/ In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/49 of 21 June 1991, 13 new seats are to be filled at the Council's organizational session for 1992.

	Term expires on 31 December
Netherlands	1995
Norway	1995
Pakistan	1995
Peru	1995
Poland	1995
Republic of Korea	1995
Senegal	1993
Spain	1993
Sweden	1993
Thailand	1995
Turkey	1995
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1993
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1993
United States of America	1995
Venezuela	1995
Yugoslavia	1995